GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:211
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REVIEW OF SARVA SHIKSHA ABHIYAN
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Britain, and other countries provide financial assistance for the educational programmes launched in the country under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan;

(b) if so, the details of the financial assistance received therefor during each of the last three years, country-wise;

(c) whether the Government has made a review of the programmes being run by the State Governments; and

(d) if so, when was the review made alongwith the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJBH SINGH)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

STATEMENT REFERED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.211 DATED 13.03.2007 ASKED BY SHRI BALESHWAR YADAV REGARDING `REVIEW OF SARVA SHIKSHA ABHIYAN

(a) & (b) : The Government of India tied up external assistance for the period 2003-04 to 2006-07 amounting to about Rs.4700 crore from the World Bank, the Department for International. Development (DFID) of United Kingdom and the European Commission, for the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), against which reimbursements claimed during the last three years have been as under:

Rupees in.crore)

Sl.No.	Source/ country	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
1.	United Kingdom (DFID)	425.94	504.12	434.80
2.	European Commission	NIL	704.15	179.35
3.	World Bank	621.71	1133.71	477.76
	TOTAL	1047.65	2341.98	1091.91

(c)& (d) A rigorous system of monitoring of the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan has been put in place which includes, inter alia, monthly and quarterly progress reports and review meetings, furnishing of annual elementary school statistics, and field monitoring by 40 independent monitoring institutions. Joint Review Missions comprising independent Indian experts and representatives of the organizations providing external assistance for SSA, review the implementation and progress of the SSA every six months and 5 Joint Review Missions have been held so far, the last being from 16-31 January 2007